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Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

Telephone Health Survey

**BRFSS State Coordinators** 

(AZ, NM, UT)

State BRFSS Information

General U.S. Population

Race/Ethnicity





# **PARTNERSHIPS**

Chinle Agency Council
Diné College
Northern Navajo Agency Council
NDOH Programs
NNHS Steering Committee











# 2014 Navajo Nation Health Survey

To assess and monitor the health status of the Navajo people.





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# Naalniih Naalkaah Disease Surveillance—the 2014 NNHS

# NNHRRB Study #NNR-11.348

A unique Navajo-specific health survey measuring the health characteristics among Navajo adults

Identify behavioral risk factors: Chronic Diseases – Behavioral Health – Mental Health – Physical Activity – Nutrition – Cancer – Diabetes – Infectious Diseases

Eligible adult participants

Random selection within a household
Signed Informed Consent to participate
Bilingual Survey Questionnaire
In-person interview
Tribe specific

#### **Timeline**

PHASE I • May—October 2013
Chinle Agency

PHASE 2 • March—October 2014

Northern and Eastern Agencies

PHASE 3 • January—September 2015
Fort Defiance and Western Agencies

Survey data collected will support collaboration between NDOH and health care partners to effectively serve the health needs of the Navajo people.







# **Agency Council**

Community Buy-in/Support
Navajo Nation wide-approval of survey

## **Agency Advisory Committee**

Community Education
Investigate positive health trends
Community Involvement
Community Health Improvement Councils

# **NNHS Steering Committee**

Work Group Collaboration:

NDOH — Community — Health Partners

Strategic Decision Making



## Benefits for Navajo Nation

- Determining health priorities for intervention development
- Determining a research agenda specific to the Navajo Nation's health research questions
- Developing health policies, programs and environmental change strategies
- Monitoring and evaluating health status progress
- Identifying health disparities
- Securing resources and funding to address our health disparities
- Strengthening partnerships on the Navajo Nation health care system